Conservancy work at Vamanapuram.

265. *MR. S. J. NAIR (*Nedumangad*): Will the Government be to state:

(*a*) whether any action was taken to start conservancy work at Vamanapuram;

(*b*) whether the Government are aware that, due to absence of conservancy work, the place between Vamanapuram district dispensary and Karattu junction is capable of being infected with contagious diseases;

(*c*) whether any representation was made about this to the authorities concerned; and

(*d*) if the answer to part (*c*) is in the affirmative, what action was taken thereupon?

RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*):

(*a*) No:

(*b*) No.

(*c*) A representation is reported to have been made by the member to the Sanitary Commissioner in 1108.

(*d*) The Sanitary Commissioner conducted enquiries, but made no recommendations to Government in the matter.

Public Service Commission Report.

266. *MR. T. K. ALEXANDER (*Kunnatand I*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) the terms of reference to Dr. Nokes for the preparation of the Public Service Commission Report;

(*b*) whether he has submitted his report; and

(*c*) if so, whether Government have passed final orders on the same?

RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*):

(*a*) The terms of reference to Dr. Nokes are confidential.

(*b*) Yes.

(*c*) Yes.

Graduate Petty Officers in the Excise Department.

267. *MR. S. THIRAVIAM NADAR (*Agastiswaram*): Will the Government be pleased to state

(*a*) the qualification prescribed for appointment as Petty Officer;

(*b*) the number of graduate Petty Officers in the department

(*c*) whether they have any special claim to be promoted as clerks or as Sub-Inspectors in the department;

(*d*) if so, the number of appointments made;

(*e*) whether any fresh graduates are appointed as clerks or Sub-Inspectors disregarding the claims of graduate Petty Officers already in service in the department; and

(*f*) whether any preference is given to the graduate Petty Officers for promotion just as the graduate clerks in the department?

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